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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:**

**Application No.:** 10/721,878      **Examiner:** REDDING, D.A.  
**Filing Date:** November 26, 2003      **Art Unit:** 1744  
**First Inventor:** NAKAMOTO, Hiroshi      **Customer No.:** 23364  
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**For:** VACUUM CLEANER

**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated November 20, 2007 in the above application, in which claims 1-4, 7-10, 12-14, and 16-18 are allowed.

**REMARKS**

The substance of the telephonic interview conducted on November 8, 2007 is as follows.

The examiner proposed to amend claims 7 and 8 to replace the word "part" with the word --unit--. Authorization to make this change was provided by Patrick Buechner, applicant's representative.

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CONCLUSION

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the applicants' attorney, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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